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SUBJ: CDU SECRETARY GENERAL BIEDENKOPF CRITICIZES U.S.  
ENERGY PRICE PROPOSALS

IN MARCH 21 APPEARANCE BEFORE WIRTSCHAFTSFORUM, LECTURE  
SERIES OFFSHOOT OF FRANKFURT INDUSTRIE UND HANDELSKAMMER,  
CDU SECRETARY GENERAL KURT BIEDENKOPF MADE FOLLOWING  
COMMENTS AMONG MANY OTHERS:

A. DURING RECENT JOINT VISIT TO WASHINGTON WITH CDU  
FOREIGN AFFAIRS SPOKESMAN LEISLER KIEP, BIEDENKOPF WAS  
IMPRESSED WITH EXTENT ECONOMIC ISSUES HAVE COME TO  
DOMINATE U.S. FOREIGN POLICIES. LAST SEVERAL MAJOR  
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SPEECHES BY SECRETARY KISSINGER HAVE BEEN PRIMARILY

ECONOMIC, HE SAID.

B.U.S. ECONOMIC INTERESTS AND PROPOSALS FOR DEALING WITH ECONOMIC PROBLEMS QUOTE DO NOT NECESSARILY COINCIDE UNQUOTE WITH U.S. POLITICAL AND DEFENSE INTERESTS. HE CITED U.S. ENERGY INTERESTS AND POLICY TOWARD OPEC AS EXAMPLES.

C. WHEREAS FRG INTERESTS WERE CLEARLY BEST SERVED BY FREE COMPETITION FOR RESOURCES AND MARKETS, HE CLAIMED SOME U.S. PROPOSALS WERE IN DIRECTION OF CARTELLIZATION AND PLANNED ECONOMY.

D. HE CRITICIZED FDP ECONOMIC SPOKESMAN LAMBSDORFF, WHO VISITED WASHINGTON ABOUT SAME TIME, FOR HAVING EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR U.S. PROPOSALS QUOTE TO STABILIZE OPEC UNQUOTE AND ESTABLISH MINIMUM CRUDE OIL PRICE WITHOUT, ACCORDING TO BIEDENKOPF, HAVING GIVEN DUE CONSIDERATION TO FRG ECONOMIC INTERESTS AND FREE ECONOMY COMPETITIVE POLICIES.

E. HE RECENTLY HAD OPPORTUNITY TO QUESTION BRITISH CONSERVATIVE EX-PREMIER HEATH ABOUT U.K. EXPERIENCE WITH U.S. QUOTE TECHNOLOGY SHARING UNQUOTE IN NUCLEAR POWER FIELD. BIEDENDKOPF CLAIMED HEATH TOLD HIM BRITISH EXPERIENCE WAS NOT REPEAT NOT SATISFACTORY BECAUSE U.S. QUOTE SHARING UNQUOTE WAS ALWAYS SUBORDINATED TO U.S. NATIONAL INTERESTS. HARLAN

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